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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: LOAN OF AUTEC EQUIPMENT

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1. MIN OF HOME AFFAIRS, DARRELL ROLLE, TELEPHONED CHARGE THIS MORNING TO INQUIRE ABOUT STATUS OF HIS REQUEST MADE THROUGH GCOB MINEXTAFF FOR LOAN OF AUTEC EQUIPMENT TO UPGRADE ROADS IN HIS ANDROS CONSTITUENCY (SEE REFTEL). ACCORDING TO ROLLE, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT HE HAVE OUR RESPONSE ASAP AS GCOB HAD EARMARKED FUNDS FOR FUEL, PERSONNEL, ETC. WHICH WILL LAPSE IF NOT SPENT BEFORE BEGINNING OF NEW FISCAL/CALENDAR YEAR.

2. ROLLE WAS TOLD THAT REQUEST IS STILL BEING STUDIED BY INTERESTED PARTIES IN DOD AND THAT SEVERAL PROBLEMS, INCLUDING LEGAL QUESTIONS, APPEAR TO HAVE ARISEN CONCERNING FEASIBILITY OF LOANING EQUIPMENT TO GCOB. CHARGE PROMISED TO GET BACK TO HIM AS SOON AS WE RECEIVED RESPONSE FROM WASHINGTON AND AT SAME TIME INDICATED THAT EMBASSY WAS NOT OPTIMISTEC ABOUT RECEIVING AFFIRMATIVE REPLY.

3. ROLLE ENDED CONVERSATION BY STATING THAT ANDROSAINS
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WERE PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS TO HAVE ROADS UPGRADED AND THAT

PRESENCE OF SEABEES AT AUTEC DOING ENGINEERING WORK IN
CONTRAST TO LACK OF MOVEMENT OUTSIDE BASE MADE IT EVEN
MORE DIFFICULT FOR HIS CONSTITUENTS TO UNDERSTAND WHY
ASSISTANCE WOULD NOT BE FORTHCOMING.

4. APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT AND DOD SENDING US RESPONSE TO
REFTEL, HOPEFULLY INCORPORATING LEGAL GROUNDS WHICH WOULD
PREVENT US FROM ACCEDING TO LOAN. RESPONSE SHOULD ARRIVE
NO LATER THAN NEXT WEDNESDAY WHEN AMBASSADOR WILL BE MAKING
FAREWELL CALL ON ROLLE.
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